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I OBJECTIVE (U)

(S/NF) The objective of the Operations Task is twofold: (1) respond to the Quick Reaction Task (QRT) requirements in support of the DoD Psychoenergetics program as a whole, i.e., the preparation of special briefings or reports needed on a quick turnaround basis, and (2) pursue RV application tasks that are of interest to the intelligence community-to determine the potential for application in U.S. efforts, and to provide data that are useful in assessing the threat potential of corresponding Soviet applications.

II QRT DOCUMENTS (U)

(U) General Α.

(S/NF) In support of the overall DoD Psychoenergetics program effort, SRI International is tasked with providing, on a quick-reaction-task (QRT) basis, documents required for special-purpose briefings, proposals, and so forth. Given the archival data base built up over the years (and now available from SRI), such requirements can be met with a minimum of preparation time. In this section, we outline the documents provided on this basis during FY 1984.

(U) "DoD PSYCHOENERGETICS PROGRAM R&D (U)" В. (SRI/GF-0262, Dated 21 November 1983) SECRET/NOFORN

(S/NF) A 45-page document (see above title) was prepared in response to a requirement from DIA's Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. The document provided an outline for a systematic, integrated approach to the pursuit of R&D efforts in support of the DoD Psychoenergetics program for FY 1985 through FY 1989.

(S/NF) Beginning with an outline of the purposes of the DoD Psychoenergetics program (to assess the potential for U.S. applications, and to determine the threat potential of corresponding foreign efforts), the document then provides definitions of various categories of psychoenergetic functioning, provides the history of the program, then lists the key findings up through the program review by DIA at the end of FY 1983 (which included review by an outside scientific panel).

(S/NF) The document then goes on to outline a proposed five-year \$11.5M program, including scope, objectives, resources required, a proposed program management structure, a list of potential support centers, plus timing and funding levels. This is followed by specific tasking for both basic and applied research. Finally, appendices on potential DoD applications and a summary of USSR and Chinese investigations are included.

C. (S) "DoD PSYCHOENERGETICS PROGRAM: REPLICATION (S)" (SRI/GF-0260, Dated February 1984) SECRET/NOFORN

(S/NF) A 45-page document (see above title) was prepared in response to a requirement from DIA's Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. The document provided a summary of the major replication efforts in psychoenergetics research in the U.S.

(S) The document begins with a short history of the DoD Psychoenergetics program, defines the two major areas of investigation: remote viewing (RV) and random number generator (RNG) psychokinesis (PK), and then provides a summary of the major replication efforts in these areas, including major institutions involved. Bibliographies of the 28 published formal experimental series in RV, the 214 published formal experimental series in RNG PK, plus the two major psychoenergetics publications appearing in the *Proc. IEEE* (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) were included in the appendices of this document.

D. (U) "NIC TECHNIQUES (U)" (SRI/GF-0261, Dated 23 February 1984) SECRET/NOFORN

(S/NF) A nine-page document (see above title) was prepared in response to a requirement from DIA's Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. The document outlined tasking for an applications-oriented RDT&E effort for FY 1985 in support of DoD psychoenergetics efforts.

(U) The document lists program requirements, guidelines, specific objectives, specific tasks, and task funding distribution. Also included are biographies of the SRI personnel who will be on the project.

E. (U) "NIC TECHNIQUES (U)" (SRI/GF-0264, Dated 24 May 1984) SECRET/NOFORN

(S/NF) A ten-page document (see above title), along with a six-page support document concerning contractual provisions was prepared in response to a requirement from DIA's Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. The document responded to a request for proposal (RFP) for a FY 1984-FY 1985 \$600K program in support of DoD psychoenergetics efforts.

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(U) Included in the document was a statement of work (SOW), which outlined specific tasks for FY 1984, security requirements, deliverables and delivery schedules, and contractual details on specific cost breakdowns.

(U) "PSYCHOENERGETICS RESEARCH (U)" (SRI/GF-X0118, F. Dated 7 August 1984) SECRET/NOFORN/WNINTEL

(S/NF) A 61-page document (see above title) was prepared in response to a requirement from DIA's Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence. The document provided a comprehensive summary of the psychoenergetics field and its responsiveness to intelligence community requirements. As such, the document could constitute a stand-alone briefing report that would provide a definition of the goals, purposes, findings, and the application potential of the DoD Psychoenergetics program for the uninformed "decision maker."

(S/NF) The report begins with a description of the establishment of the GRILL FLAME program at SRI International in 1980, the purpose of which was to develop procedures that would apply psychoenergetic abilities to intelligence problems. A three-phase program to meet this requirement is outlined: Phase I, reliability improvement; Phase II, authentication; Phase III, development of in-house capability.

(S/NF) The report then provides an outline of the science of psychoenergeticsincluding a description of open-literature research efforts, institutions and university programs involved (free-world, Chinese, and Warsaw-pact), and a science panel review of the major SRI programs. Following this is a short history of the DoD Psychoenergetics program effort-including funding history and a review of the three-year GRILL FLAME program (FY 1981-FY 1983). Included in the latter is a listing of GRILL FLAME reports and briefing schedules. Elements of the present DoD Psychoenergetics program are described, along with examples of its application to intelligence community problems. The document ends with a projected future goal structure and time-line, and an assessment of probable psychoenergetics applications.

G. (U) "PSYCHOENERGETICS PROGRAM (FY '85)" (SRI/GF-0266, Dated September 1984) SECRET/NOFORN

(S/NF) A 12-page document (see above title) was prepared in response to a requirement from the Army Medical R&D Command, Ft. Detrick, Maryland. The document outlines a one-year \$2M R&D program in support of DoD psychoenergetics efforts, and addresses tasking—both at SRI as prime contractor, and at a host of other organizations as subcontractors.

(S/NF) The document includes an introductory section outlining definitions of various psychoenergetics phenomena, a short history of the DoD program, a description of the present data base, and future program goals. These are followed by a description of the proposed program and tasking—including program scope, objectives, resources, and overview—along with specific tasking in the areas of planning, human—use guidelines/routine medical monitoring, RV methodologies, psychokinesis studies, RV search/tracking, screening/selection, psychoenergetic correlates, RV training methodologies (applications), and modeling of psychoenergetic phenomena. Finally, a preliminary estimate of cost breakdown is provided.

III OPERATIONAL RV TASKS (S)

A. (S) Operational RV Tasking

(S/NF) To meet program objectives, one of SRI's tasks is to investigate U.S. capabilities in applied RV to (1) determine the potential for application in U.S. efforts, and (2) provide data that are useful in assessing the threat potential of corresponding Soviet applications. In reponse to this requirement, SRI has pursued application tasks that were of interest to the intelligence community, and has contributed RV-derived data in reponse to quick-reaction requirements set by representatives monitoring the progress of the work.

B. (U) Operational Task Format

(S/NF) The format for performing operational tasks is as follows. A request for information concerning an operational target is transmitted by members of the client community to the DIA representative the Psychoenergetics program's Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) in residence at SRI, Menlo Park. The COTR then provides an SRI experimenter with whatever targeting information is appropriate (e.g., coordinates, photos). Special precautions are taken to ensure that both the SRI experimenter and the remote viewer (RVer) are kept blind to information that could (in principle) result in a false positive for the experiment. In some cases, the COTR or other client representative is present in the RV chamber during the session, or they may observe the session on a video monitor outside the chamber.

C. (S) FY 1984 Operational RV Sites

(S/NF) The tasks performed during FY 1983 (discussed below) are listed in Table 1. Additional detailed data are provided in the operational Task Summary Sheets provided in the appendix. Complete documentation is available through proper security channels on a need-to-know basis.

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Table 1
(S/NF) OPERATIONAL RV TASKS—FY 1984

Target	Date	Viewer No.
JS #43, Search Task,	1/27/84 to 1/29/84	688
U.S. Embassy, Moscow	2/84 (days unknown)	592
	2/2/84	177
	2/4/84	009
	2/6/84	557
JS #44, Search Task, U.S. Envoy to Beirut	7/16/84, 7/17/84 (addi- tional date unknown)	198
	7/20/84	009
	7/22/84	531

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1. (S/NF) Search Task, U.S. Embassy, Moscow (JS #43)

(S/NF) A requirement was forwarded to SRI through the COTR (from DIA's Directorate for Science and Technology), to conduct a search for surveillance devices which might be implanted in the new structure that will house the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. Information provided to SRI consisted of (1) the number of floors (eight), and (2) the universal floor plan showing the locations of the elevator shaft and the support columns.

(S/NF) Five experienced RVers provided data in response to this requirement: Numbers 009, 177, 557, 592, and 688. Each was briefed as to the goal of the task, i.e., to determine the locations of potential surveillance devices. The briefing document read as follows:

"Objective: To locate and identify possible surveillance devices in a particular building of interest.

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- Annotate drawings to show location of device(s) and the interconnections to other areas in the building (walls, other floors, columns, etc.)
- Provide detailed location data (i.e., in inches or feet from reference points on floor plans provided).
- Describe and sketch the device in detail.
- Describe device type (acoustic, EM, high-frequency, etc.) if possible.
- Locate depth of device in concrete floor/ceiling (may vary from 6 to 12 inches thick).
- Sketch other aspects of area where device is in order to facilitate its location (i.e., how near the wall, configuration of floor and design aspects, etc.).
- Start with top-floor ceiling/roof and work down. Consider ceiling of 7th floor same as floor of 8th floor."

(S/NF) The data generated in reponse to this task were forwarded to DIA (DT-5A) for appropriate evaluation and disposition.

2. (S/NF) Search Task, U.S. Envoy to Beirut, Buckley (JS #44)

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(S/NF) A requirement was forwarded to SRI from DIA (DT-5A), to conduct an RV search for William Buckley, U.S. Envoy, who was siezed in Beirut, Lebanon, on 16 March 1984. For targeting information, reference was made to a New York Times article dated 17 March 1984, which contained known data, along with a photo of the target individual.

(S/NF) Three experienced RVers provided data in response to this requirement: Numbers 009, 198, 537. Each was briefed at some stage of the operation about the goal of the task, which was to determine the location and other particulars concerning the status of the target individual. The RVers responding to this task each used a specific (and different) technique developed in other tasks in the Psychoenergetics program. The information developed was forwarded to DIA (DT-5A) for disposition and evaluation.

• (U) RVer #009—Experienced RVer #009 was targeted in a standard RV format, using an abstract targeting method (the word "target"). The initial response was performed entirely in the blind as to the purpose of the task, which is typically the case in the use of the abstract targeting procedure.

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After providing data on the characteristics of a location intended to be responsive to the overall task requirement, the RVer was then told that the task involved a missing individual. At that point, without further input, additional data were provided as to a description of the individual and his location.

- (S/NF) RVer #198-RVer #198 was fully briefed on the task requirement, and was given the NY Times article and maps. Using a binary-tracking technique under investigation in another portion of the SRI program (Search), considerable information was developed on the present status and location of the individual. (Binary tracking: A or B, A or B,...? through a "tree" of possibilities-e.g., alive or dead? health good or poor? ...in Beirut or not? ...). Follow-up debriefing by DIA (DT-5A) personnel to obtain further information was pursued.
- (S/NF) RVer #531-Fully briefed, RVer #531 conducted a search using a computer-assisted-search (CAS) technique being developed on the Search Task. For this approach, a map of Lebanon was divided up into 20 roughly-equal-area segments, randomly numbered. A computer program (basically a ring counter) is initiated, which counts 1, 2, 3...21, 1, 2, 3... at a millisecond dwell time per number. The numbers 1 through 20 represent the 20 map areas; the number 21 represents the option "none of the above." The task of the search RVer is to interrupt (blind) the ring counter by button push at the (unknown) "target" bin. This is done on a repetitive basis, with selections accumulated in a memory register. After N trials (50 in this case), statistically significant "bumps" in the distribution of potential target bin entries are read out as candidates. In this task, a statistically significant (p < 0.05) accumulation of entries was collected in two of the bins; these choices were passed on through proper channels.

(S) Operational RV Product D.

(S/NF) With regard to the overall concept of operational RV tasking, remote viewing by SRI and SRI-trained client personnel has, in many cases, provided useful descriptions of, for example. East-Bloc targets that are of interest to the intelligence community. Evaluation of the results by appropriate intelligence community specialists indicates that, by this process, RVers have been able to generate useful data that have been corroborated by other intelligence assets. Documentation for these conclusions can be found in the following references:

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"Project GRILL FLAME Operational Tasks (U)," et al., Defense Intelligence Agency, Document No. SRI/GF-0236, January 1983, SECRET/NOFORN/WNINTEL.

"GRILL FLAME PROJECT REPORT (U)," Defense Intelligence Agency, DT-5A, 19 October 1983, SECRET.

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"Psychoenergetics Research (U)," Defense Intelligence Agency, Document No. SRI/GF-X0118, 7 August 1984, SECRET/NOFORN/WNINTEL.

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TASK SUMMARY SHEETS (U)

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Date	27-29 January 1984, submitted 30 January 1984
Series	OP Search
Session No	
Target No	JS #43
Target	"Hi-Rise"
Remote Viewer	#688
Interviewer _	None
Beacon(s)	Floor plans of site

- 1. Instructions and floor plans were supplied to the remote viewer.
- Devices of interest were located as marked on floor plans, on the lst, 2nd, 4th, and 6th floors.

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Date	2 February 1984
Series	OP Search
Session No.	
Target No.	JS #43
Target	"Hi-Rise"
Remote Viewer	#177
Interviewer _	None
Beacon(s)	Floor plans of the site

- Instructions and floor plans were supplied to the remote viewer. 1.
- A summary of the response follows: There is more than one device (p. #1). They appear as scalloped grey plastic (p. #2). There are two separate "systems," a single isolated device and an interconnected system (p. #3). The isolated device may be found approximately 6 m west and 6 m north of the southeast corner on the ceiling of the 8th floor (pp. 4, 5). Something of interest is "sticking up" within or near Column #37 on the floor of the 8th floor (p. #6). The "system" may be either on the floor or ceiling of the 2nd floor near or within Columns 40 and 47. They appear to be connected (p. #7). Something of interest is located between Columns 48 and 49 on the floor of the 2nd floor (p. #8).

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Date	4 February 1984
Series	OP Search
Session No.	
Target No.	
Target	"Hi-Rise"
Remote Viewer	#009
Interviewer	E. C. May
Beacon(s)	Floor plans of the site

- 1. Instructions and floor plans were supplied to the remote viewer.
- 2. The remote viewer worked alone over 6 hours on the task.
- 3. The viewer was debriefed, producing pages 3 to 5 of the response.
- 4. A summary of the response follows on the next page.

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Summary of Response JS #43 RVer #009 4 February 1984

The floors/ceilings are constructed from prefabricated reinforced concrete panels. Six of them fit within a 6 by 6 m square (p. #5). Within each and every one are hollow pipes superimposed and adjacent to the reinforcement bars. The pipes are filled with a liquid like substance and the sensors are located at the junctions of the pipes. The pipes are on the ceiling side of the panel (pp. #1, #3).

The hollow pipes are standing wave resonators. Depending upon the direction, there are two separate resonant frequencies. The panels are designed to work in conjunction with some other sensor system. One panel on each floor is a mass of wires and electronics (p. 1).

Each panel has a series of depressions containing a bar with which to suspend a false ceiling. These are connected to the pipe array, and when the lighting system is installed, the electricians will supply power to the array from the lighting fixtures (p. #3).

The signal will not radiate from the building, but will be sent via a cable within a sewage or water pipe to the outside (p. #2).

Pages 6 to 14 show the location of the special electronics panel for each floor. RVer 009 reports low confidence in their locations, but high confidence in the general panel network (verbal data to the monitor).

To find sensors, 009 suggests either to cut panel in half, or contact Dr. Paulsen at Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. to obtain a small hand-held backscatter X-ray device (p. #4).

Remotely-activated archival tape recorders can be found within the walls of the old facility across the street (p. #2).

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Date	Submitted 6 February 1984
Series	OP Search
Session No.	
Target No.	JS #43
Target	"Hi-Rise"
Remote Viewer	# 557
Interviewer	None
Beacon(s)	Floor plans of site

- 1. Instructions and floor plans were supplied to the remote viewer.
- Devices of interest and areas to be checked were located as marked on floor plans, on the roof, and on the floors of the 7th and 8th floors.

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Date Fel	bruary 1984	
Series	OP Search	
Session No.		
Target No.		
Target	"Hi-Rise"	
Remote Viewer	#592	
Interviewer _	None	
Beacon(s)	Floor plans of site	

- 1. Instructions and floor plans were supplied to the remote viewer.
- RVer transmitted data directly to DIA (DT-5A), as he was located in the Washington, D.C. area.

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Date	16	July	1984	(Session	1);	17	July	1984	(Session	11)
Series		OF	Sear	ch						
Session	No.									
Target	No	·	JS	#44	<u> </u>		 .			
Target .		Wn	Buck	ley, U.S	. En	oy.	Bei	rut		
Remote	Viewer		#1	.98						
Intervi		н. г	uthoff							
Beacon(s)Target photograph, maps of Lebanon & surrounding area										

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- Requirement received from DIA (DT-5A), by telecon on 7/16/84.
- 2. RVer developed following scenario using binary question technique.

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 Addendum: Follow-up interview conducted (date unknown) by D. Graff at RVer's location.

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Session I

16 July 1984

RVer provided the following initial data:

Individual of interest was alive, in Lebanon but not in Beirut proper. Rather, he was located to the south of Beirut with an initial estimate of 8.7 miles (see later). He appeared to be in a 3-story house, located in the third floor. Individual appeared to be in fair health (some trouble with the respiratory system), was emotionally depressed, but had not been tortured. He is being guarded by 5 people (Syrians) on a rotation basis. He has been moved three times.

Session II

17 July 1984

With newspaper article (including photo) and a map of Lebanon available, RVer provided the following additional data:

Individual is still alive, at same location as yesterday. He is not going to escape, but will be released by his captors in September, around the 22nd. He is being held in a small village, not a city. It would not help to contact people in town because, although they know someone is being guarded, they do not know whom. The building is of concrete block type construction. Although the captors holding him are Syrian, the people who live in the house are not.

In the opinion of the viewer, the location will not be discovered by Americans, although they will be close.

The individual has been in the present location for 19 days. (The RVer thinks that one of the previous locations may have been in Syria, S.E. of Damascus.) Present location as determined by map tracing work was given as a town S.E. of Beirut, called Jdaide. This can be reached by following the coast road south from Beirut, turning inland (east about 2 miles south of Damour, and going east through Deir el Qamar to Maasser Beit ed Dine. A right turn to switch back S.W. turns into a road going south to Beit ed Dine. South from Beit ed Dine a few miles leads to Jdaide slightly to the S.E.

RVer says that individual will be released in Beirut proper just south of (across the street from?) the Commodore Hotel.

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Date	20 July 1984	
Series	OP Search	
Session No.		
Target No.	JS #44	
Target	Wm. Buckley, U.S. Envoy, Beirut	
Remote Viewer	#009	
Interviewer	E. C. May	
Beacon(s)	Abstract Targeting "Target"	

- RVer targeted blind by abstract targeting method (the phrase "target."
- After providing data on location intended to be responsive to overall task, RVer was told that task involved a missing individual, at which point, without further input, individual was described and further detail on location provided.

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Date	22 July 1984 - 24 July 1984	
Series	OP Search	
Session No		
	JS #44	
Target	Wm. Buckley, U.S. Envoy, Beirut	
Remote Viewer	#531	
Interviewer _	None	
Beacon(s)	Computer	

- 1. Computer-assisted-search (CAS) technique used, in which map of Lebanon is divided into 20 roughly-equal-area segments. A ring counter program in a computer is initiated which contains numbers 1, 2, 3 ... 21, the number 1-20 representing the 20 map segments, the number 21 representing "none of the above." The task of the RVer is to interrupt (blind) the ring counter by button push at the (unknown) "target" bin as they circulate in the ring counter with one-millisecond dwell times.
- A collection of fifty trials resulted in a statistically significant "bump" in the distribution of potential target bins. This, and a close second choice were forwarded to DIA (DT-5A).

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